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## TOWN OFFICERS.

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Moderator.

B. R. WHEELER.

Town Clerk.

JAMES AYER.

Selectmen.

CHARLES S. WOODBURY,      FRANK F. WHEELER,  
PRESCOTT B. EMERSON.

Overseer of the Poor.

CHARLES S. WOODBURY.

Treasurer.

JAMES EWINS.

Board of Education.

CLINTON L. SILVER,      GEORGE W. THOM.

Collector of Taxes.

FRED O. WHEELER.

Auditors.

GEORGE W. PALMER,      ALBERT L. LITTLEFIELD,  
CHARLES H. AYER.

Constable.

J. W. KELLEY.

Police.

JOHN F. HALL,

FRED ALLEN.



## Highway Agents.

LOREN E. BAILEY,                      W. G. RICHARDSON,  
JOHN C. WHITNEY.

## Representatives.

JOHN W. WHEELER,                      LOREN E. BAILEY.

Supervisors.

JAMES H. HADLEY,                      EUGENE W. STEVENS,  
HOWARD L. GORDON.

Sextons.

CHARLES H. SMITH,                      NATHANIEL H. PAUL.

Agent for the Suppression of Crime.

JOHN F. HALL.

Trustees of the Public Library.

WALLACE W. COLE, JOHN C. CROWELL,  
LEVI W. TAYLOR.

## TOWN WARRANT.

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### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

*To the inhabitants of the Town of Salem qualified to vote in town affairs.*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Salem on the second Tuesday of March, next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects :

1. To choose all necessary town officers and agents for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the year ensuing.

3. To see if the town will vote to raise any more money for repairs of highways than the law requires.

4. To see what method the town will vote to adopt to facilitate the collection of taxes.

5. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer to hire, with the approval of the selectmen, such sums of money as he may need for general purposes, in anticipation of taxes.

7. By request. To see if the town will vote to sell it's town farm and choose three agents to make such sale and convey said property.

8. By request. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to appoint a fire warden for each school district, and make rules and regulations regarding the same.

9. By request. To see if the town will vote to build two stone arch bridges : one at Bryant's corner, so called, and one over the causeway, and raise eight (\$800) hundred dollars, or any part thereof, for the same.

10th. By request. To see if the town will appropriate the sum, and confer the authority asked for, in the following proposition of Mr. Charles H. Tenney :

I will give one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for the improvement of the Turnpike, between Salem Depot and the Methuen line, if the town will appropriate five hundred dollars (\$500) for the same purpose, and authorize me to superintend the expenditure of the whole amount of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) in such places on said Turnpike, and in such manner as I may consider for the best interest of the town.

11. By request. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75), or any part thereof, for the use of Gilman E. Sleeper Post, No. 60, G. A. R., to expend in observance of Memorial Day in the year 1901.

12. By request. To see if the town will vote to accept of Oliver Taylor, of Haverhill, Mass., the sum of one hundred (\$100) dollars as a perpetual fund : the income of which is to be expended by the selectmen, or their agents, in repairing the cemetery lot of Otis Taylor in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

13. By request. To see if the town will vote to accept the terms of Provision 3d of the will of the late Gilman Corning, Salem, N. H. :

I give and bequeath to the town of Salem, New Hampshire, the sum of two hundred (\$200) dollars, in trust, for the following purposes : The income derived from said sum to be expended in keeping my burial lot in Pine Grove Cemetery, in said town, in good condition, in the manner following :

A sum not exceeding two dollars to be expended annually for said purpose, and the balance of said annual income to be added to the principal and allowed to accumulate

until a sufficient amount is realized to defray the expense of more extensive repairs to the lot and monuments and paths adjacent thereto, which may become necessary in future years.

14. By request. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of the Salem Free Public Library.

15. By request. To see if the town will vote to accept of L. R. Lake, of Fall River, Mass., the sum of one hundred dollars as a perpetual fund, the income to be expended annually for the care and improvement of Lot No. 227 in Pine Grove Cemetery, known as the Albert Robinson lot.

16. By request. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to contract with individuals or corporations for a term not exceeding five years, at an annual expense not exceeding the sum of one thousand dollars, for lighting such streets as the selectmen may deem suitable for the convenience of the public, and raise money therefor.

17. By request. To see what action the town will take relative to the preparation and publication of a history of the town, and raise money therefor.

Given under our hands and seal this, the 23d day of February, 1901.

CHARLES S. WOODBURY,  
FRANK F. WHEELER,  
PRESCOTT B. EMERSON,  
Selectmen of Salem.

A true copy of Warrant, attest :

CHARLES S. WOODBURY,  
FRANK F. WHEELER,  
PRESCOTT B. EMERSON,  
Selectmen of Salem.



## SELECTMEN'S REPORT FOR 1900.

### INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF SALEM TAKEN APRIL 1st, 1900.

Polls,	\$43,600 00
Real estate, resident,	525,248 00
Real estate, non-resident,	52,056 00
Horses, 369,	20,625 00
1 Mule,-	40 00
Cows, 629,	16,623 00
Other neat stock, 70,	1,260 00
Sheep, 10,	30 00
Hogs, 13,	145 00
Fowls, 2,128,	1,496 00
Carriages, 33,	2,000 00
Bank stock,	1,000 00
Money at interest,	22,500 00
Stock in trade,	13,000 00
Mills and machinery,	12,600 00
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	\$712,223 00

### TAXES ASSESSED FOR THE YEAR 1900.

State tax,	\$1,117 75
County tax,	1,711 91
School by law,	1,315 00
Vote of town for schools,	2,000 00
Superintendent of schools,	200 00
To paint school house,	100 00
Defray town charges,	2,500 00
Town debt,	2,000 00
Highway,	2,000 00
Highway by law,	1,781 57
Memorial Day,	75 00
Road machine,	250 00
Library,	178 90
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*Amount carried forward,* \$15,230 13

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$15,230 13	
Electric Lights,	950 00	
Overlay,	200 99	
	<hr/>	\$16,381 12
Taxes committed to collector, 1900,		16,381 12
Rate \$23.00 on \$1,000.		

### WHOLE NUMBER OF ASSETS.

Taxes assessed for 1900,	\$16,381 12	
Received from county,	255 35	
Railroad Tax,	195 37	
Savings bank tax,	223 38	
Literary fund,	167 00	
Proportion of school fund,	667 85	
In anticipation of taxes,	3,956 67	
From B. R. Wheeler, 1896, tax,	89 53	
From B. R. Wheeler, land sold for taxes, 1897,	102 13	
From B. R. Wheeler, land sold for taxes, 1898,	86 86	
Received for lumber and nails,	49 47	
Redeemed land sold in 1899,	70 11	
F. O. Wheeler, interest,	30 00	
Received from F. O. Wheeler, 1899, tax,	1,430 88	
Received for dog licenses,	308 65	
Sale of cemetery lots,	88 00	
Received from John F. Hall, liquor agent,	58 50	
Road machine,	6 00	
Rent of hall,	1 50	
Cash in Treasurer's hands,	996 97	
Due on land bought for taxes, 1898,	190 81	
Due on land bought for taxes, 1899,	72 08	
Due from F. O. Wheeler, 1899, tax,	67 58	
Due from F. O. Wheeler, interest,	8 44	
	<hr/>	\$25,504 25

## EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS.

Paid Town Appropriation by law,	\$1,315 00
Town Appropriation, vote of town,	2,000 00
Superintendent of Schools,	200 00
Painting No. 6 school house,	100 00
Dog Licenses,	298 15
From State Literary Fund,	167 00
Paid proportion of School Money,	667 85
Town Interest on District No. 10 note,	12 91
Town Interest on District No. 2 note,	14 68
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	\$4,775 59

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid W. G. Richardson, balance salary,	
1899,	\$50 00
W. G. Richardson, for wood,	5 00
Dr. Soule, return of births and deaths,	4 50
Eastman & Holliss, legal advice,	1 00
J. O. Foster, G. A. R. appropriation,	75 00
C. H. Smith, labor in cemetery,	16 00
F. O. Wheeler, tax book and bills,	6 00
J. C. Gordon, insurance,	7 20
A. N. Webster, watering place, 1897,	
1898, 1899,	9 00
M. J. Stanton, watering place, 1899,	3 00
R. F. Wheeler, watering place, 1899,	3 00
William Morrill, recording deed and	
stationery,	1 22
G. C. Gordon & Son, insurance,	13 50
James Ward Jr., printing town	
reports,	63 89
John C. Crowell, library appropria-	
tion,	78 90
C. H. Smith, labor in cemetery,	35 50
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*Amount carried forward,*

\$372 71



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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$372 71
Paid N. H. Paul, cutting bushes in cemetery,	3 00
N. H. Paul, labor in Mount Pleasant cemetery,	12 10
N. H. Paul, care of lots, Mount Pleasant cemetery,	20 00
E. F. Smith, labor and supplies, town hall,	3 80
Police from Manchester,	15 00
E. C. Eastman, record book,	7 25
J. Hadlock, road machine,	250 00
F. F. Wheeler, collecting dog licenses,	4 50
J. W. Kelley, damage by dogs,	6 00
J. W. Kelley, watering place, 1899, 1900,	6 00
W. W. Cole, stone wall,	10 00
F. L. Woodbury, care of cemetery,	4 00
C. H. Smith, care of lots in Pine Grove cemetery,	43 00
R. B. Emerson, labor and supplies for polling place,	2 40
G. C. Gordon, insurance,	23 50
E. W. Stevens, painting signs and road machine,	4 40
E. F. Smith, labor and supplies for town hall,	10 35
F. F. Wheeler, wood,	2 50
John C. Crowell, library appropriation,	100 00
James Ward, printing check list,	12 00
S. E. Quimby, return of marriages,	25
Dr. Robinson, return of births and deaths,	1 25
Dr. Wilson, return of births and deaths,	4 50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$545 80

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$545 80
Paid Dr. R. H. Lawlor, return of births,	50
F. O. Wheeler, wood,	2 25
D. A. Abbott, ballot clerk,	2 00
G. C. Gordon & Son, insurance,	10 00
Chas. H. Allen, damage on tele- phone pole,	10 00
C. H. Hobbs, surveying at Salem Depot,	2 00
Chas. S. Woodbury, time and ex- pense with Electric Road,	20 00
Chas. S. Woodbury, expense to Ex- eter twice and Concord,	7 00
Chas. S. Woodbury, stationery, ex- press and telephone,	5 00
Frank F. Wheeler, time with Elec- tric Road,	9 25
Frank F. Wheeler, stationery, stamps, telephone and legal advice,	5 35
Prescott B. Emerson, time with Electric Road,	9 00
W. E. Lancaster, ballot clerk,	2 00
James Ewins, watering place and supplies for hall,	4 00
W. G. Richardson, part payment on salary, 1900,	250 00
Joel E. Richardson, abatement,	7 68
F. O. Wheeler, land sold for taxes,	142 19
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	\$1,406 73

## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Town appropriation,	\$1,000 00
Paid E. B. Hall, expense on bridge,	13 00
W. H. Lancaster, labor on bridge,	2 40
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$15 40

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$15 40	
Paid M. H. Webster, labor on bridge,	34 87	
L. B. McLaughlin, labor on bridge,	2 40	
Brista & Herd, railing on bridge,	4 50	
L. E. Bailey, building stone bridge,	450 00	
L. E. Bailey, labor and plank on bridge near J. W. Kelley's,	113 68	
F. O. Wheeler, use of road machine,	6 00	
J. W. Kelley, gravel,	55	
J. W. Kelley, labor on highway,	5 85	
W. G. Richardson, repairs on bridges,	6 25	
J. C. Whitney, repairs on wash outs,	47 22	
C. F. Kimball, repairs on wash outs,	127 34	
J. P. Atwood, plank,	14 36	
Chas. Haigh, labor,	2 40	
C. F. Brown, on wash out,	11 10	
C. H. Ray, on wash out,	6 80	
H. C. Weiss, on wash out,	1 00	
O. H. Butler, on wash out,	23 50	
K. M. McLaughlin,	1 26	
E. B. Hall, gravel,	2 60	
S. M. Kelley, labor on highway,	3 00	
Chas. S. Woodbury, labor on high- way,	90	
H. B. Silver, labor on highway,	6 30	
		\$887 28
Henry Buck fund,	100 00	
Paid H. B. Silver for working Buck fund,	100 00	

#### REPORT OF L. E. BAILEY, ROAD COMMISSIONER.

April 14	4 men and 2 horses, 1 day,	\$8 00	
" 18	1 man and 2 horses, 2-10 day,	70	
" 20	7 men and 4 horses, 1 day,	14 50	
" 21	8 " 4 " "	16 00	
	<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$39 20



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<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>						\$39 20
April	23	9 men and 4 horses, 1 day,				17 50
"	24	9 " 4 " "				17 50
"	25	13 " 6 " "				25 50
"	26	13 " 6 " "				25 50
"	27	7 " 4 " "				14 50
"	28	6 " 5 " "				11 00
"	30	3 " 2 " "				6 50
May	1	5 " 2 " "				9 50
"	2	5 " 2 " "				9 50
"	4	11 " 6 " "				24 00
"	5	1 man and 2 horses, 1 day,				3 50
"	5	2 men and 4 horses, 1 day,				
		machine,				8 00
"	5	8 men, 1 day,				12 00
"	7	2 men and 4 horses, 1 day,				
		machine,				8 00
"	7	11 men, 1 day,				16 50
"	8	3 men and 6 horses, 1 day,				
		machine,				11 50
"	8	13 men, 1 day,				19 50
"	9	2 men and 4 horses, 1 day,				
		machine,				8 00
"	9	9 men, 1 day,				13 50
"	10	9 men, 1 day,				13 50
"	10	2 men and 4 horses, 1 day,				
		machine,				8 00
"	11	2 men and 4 horses, 1 day,				
		machine,				8 00
"	11	15 men, 1 day,				22 50
"	12	3 men and 6 horses, 1 day,				
		machine,				11 50
"	12	15 men, 1 day,				22 50
"	14	3 men and 6 horses, 1 day,				
		machine,				12 00
"	14	15 men, 1 day,				22 50

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*Amount carried forward,*

\$421 20

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	<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$421 20
May 15	2 men and 4 horses, 1 day, machine,	8 00
" 15	13 men, 1 day,	19 50
" 17	6 men, 1 day,	9 00
" 23	1 man and 2 horses, 1 day,	3 50
" 23	7 men, 1 day,	10 50
" 24	2 men and 4 horses, 1 day, machine,	8 00
" 24	6 men, 1 day,	9 00
" 26	2 men and 4 horses, 1 day, machine,	8 00
" 26	8 men, 1 day,	12 00
" 28	1 man and 2 horses, 1 day,	3 50
" 28	5 men, 1 day,	7 50
" 29	6 men, 1 day,	9 00
" 29	1 man and 2 horses, 1 day,	3 50
" 31	1 man and 2 horses, 1 day,	3 50
" 31	5 men, 1 day,	7 50
June 1	1 man and 2 horses, $\frac{1}{2}$ day,	1 87
" 4	2 men and 2 horses, 1 day,	5 00
" 5	5 men and 2 horses, 1 day,	9 50
" 6	5 " 2 " "	9 50
" 7	5 " 2 " "	9 50
" 8	5 " 4 " "	11 50
" 9	5 " 4 " "	11 50
" 11	5 " 4 " "	11 50
" 12	5 " 4 " "	11 50
" 13	8 men and 4 horses, 1 day, machine,	17 00
" 14	9 men and 4 horses, 1 day, machine,	18 50
" 19	3 men, 1 day,	4 50
" 21	3 men and 3 horses, 1 day,	7 50
" 22	1 man, $\frac{1}{2}$ day,	75
July 3	3 men and 2 horses, $\frac{1}{2}$ day,	3 25

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*Amount carried forward,*

\$676 07

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	<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$676 07
July	5 2 men and 2 horses, 1 day,	5 00
"	6 5 " 2 " "	9 50
"	7 5 " 2 " "	9 50
"	L. E. Bailey, 29 days,	58 00
Oct.	L. E. Bailey, 1 day,	2 00
	3 men and 2 horses, 1 day,	6 50
	Fixing culvert,	1 00
	Jacob W. Kelley, 100 loads of gravel,	10 00
	Calvin Boardman Heirs, 245 loads of gravel,	24 50
	L. E. Bailey, 20 loads of stone,	2 00
	Chas. S. Woodbury, 20 loads of gravel,	2 00
	Sharpening drills and dynamite,	1 87
	100 feet 10 inch pipe,	19 50
	100 feet 6 inch pipe,	9 00
	Freight on same,	2 00
	Worked \$200 on Tenney hill, \$100 to be paid by C. H. Tenney,	100 00

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## REPORT OF J. C. WHITNEY, ROAD AGENT.

Paid James Rolf, 438 hours,	\$65 70
Frank Gross, 31½ hours,	4 72
Frank Gross, horse 1½ hours,	15
Frank Gross, 12 loads of gravel at 5c,	60
Eugene Rowell, 63 hours,	9 45
Eugene Rowell, horse 126 hours,	12 60
John Duston, 225 hours,	33 75
Chas. Kelley, 159 loads of gravel at 5c,	7 95
Orrin Reed, 317½ hours,	47 62
Chas. Nichols, 324½ hours,	48 67
Chas. Nichols, Jr., 25 hours,	3 75

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*Amount carried forward,* \$234 96



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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$234 96
Paid Joseph Beaudin, 329 hours,	49 35
J. C. Whitney, 647½ hours,	129 50
Herbert Parker, 60 loads of gravel	
at 5c,	3 00
West Felch, 290 hours,	43 50
West Felch, horse 580 hours,	58 00
Daniel Merrill, 12 loads of gravel	
at 5c,	60
Linas Chase, 153 hours,	22 95
Linas Chase, horse 306 hours,	30 60
Chas. Duston, 80 hours,	12 00
Frank Goodhue, 227 hours,	34 05
W. R. Whitney, horse 1,303 hours,	130 30
Julius Stranch, 215 hours,	32 25
Elihu Swanback, 214 hours,	32 10
Melvin Pattee, 50 hours,	7 50
Frank Head, 250 hours,	37 50
Edwin Duston, 60 hours,	9 00
Edwin Duston, 212 loads of gravel	
at 5c,	10 60
M. H. Taylor, 333 loads of gravel	
at 5c,	16 65
M. H. Taylor, plank and spikes for	
culverts,	2 00
Miss Laura Taylor, 46 loads of	
gravel at 5c,	2 30
Otis Felch, 20 hours,	3 00
Geo. Pattee, 25 hours,	3 75
Ernest Atwood, 20 hours,	3 00
Chas. Head, 40 hours,	6 00
F. C. Buxton, 1 can axle grease,	25
F. C. Buxton, telephone and ex-	
press on castings,	70
John Littlefield, sharpening picks,	90
Louis Hall, sharpening picks,	40
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$916 71

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$916 71
Paid Chas. Merrick, sharpening picks,	20
J. C. Whitney, use of plow,	25
John Dunlap, running line on new road,	1 00
W. H. Hanson, gas pipe,	1 00
Ebenezer Duston, 8 chestnut posts,	80
Fred Webster, 15 lbs. of spikes,	75
John P. Atwood, 286 feet railing and plank,	4 00
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	\$924 71

## REPORT OF W. G. RICHARDSON, HIGHWAY AGENT.

## Labor on Highway.

Paid Mr. Turner for fixing bridge,	\$ 75
E. R. Beveridge, for 28 loads of gravel, at 5c load,	1 40
F. D. Wilson, for 45 loads of gravel, at 5c load,	2 25
K. M. McLaughlin, for 165 loads of gravel, at 5c load,	8 25
K. M. McLaughlin, hauling stone and gravel,	3 75
Mr. Boardman, for 150 loads of gravel, at 10c load,	15 00
F. O. Wheeler, for 17 loads of gravel, at 5c load,	85
Frank Wheeler, for labor on the road,	12 50
Fred Ortman, for 6 days labor, \$1.50 per day,	9 00
Howard Ayer, for $2\frac{1}{2}$ days labor, \$1.00 per day,	2 50
J. W. Palmer, for 4 days $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours labor, \$1.50 per day,	6 53
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$62 78

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$62 78
Paid John Costello, for labor, \$1.50 per day,	37 50
J. Richardson, for 33 days labor, \$1.50 per day,	49 50
Luther Gibson, for 31½ days labor, \$1.50 per day,	47 25
I. Webster, for 19½ days labor, \$1.50 per day,	28 50
John Murphy, for 10 days labor, \$1.50 per day,	15 00
W. Robinson, for 4 days labor, \$1.50 per day,	6 00
W. Rogers, for 12 days labor, \$1.50 per day,	18 00
Ben Haigh, for labor, \$1.50 per day,	2 25
Mr. Weis, for 2 days labor, with team,	7 00
Tim Collins, for labor,	3 50
George Randall, 32 days, horse 5 days,	53 00
John McDonald, for 10 days labor, at \$1.50 per day,	15 00
Loren Bailey's shovelers, 26 days labor,	39 00
Loren Bailey's shovelers, 37½ days labor,	56 10
Loren Bailey's shovelers, 29 days labor,	43 50
George Pettee, for 4 days labor,	6 00
Mr. Kimball, " 3 " "	4 50
Joe Bradford, " 3 " "	4 50
Loren Bailey, team, 3 days labor,	11 73
Loren Bailey, with road machine, 5 days,	40 00
Loren Bailey, with road machine, 5 days,	40 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$590 61



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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$590 61
Paid Loren Bailey, man and team, .5	
days,	17 50
Loren Bailey, team,	31 50
Loren Bailey, drain pipe,	5 10
Loren Bailey, laying the same,	1 50
W. G. Richardson, 56 days labor,	112 00
Joe O. Neil, 22 " "	31 50
Town horses, 50 " "	100 00
Joe O. Neil, 1 " "	1 50
W. G. Richardson, 1 " "	2 00
Town horses, 1 " "	2 00
Warren Emerson, for 25 loads	
gravel,	1 25
Milton Goodwin, for 15 loads gravel,	75
John Littlefield, 1 days work,	1 50
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	\$898 71

## SNOW PATHS.

Paid O. H. Butler,	\$6 28
J. C. Whitney,	5 40
George M. Cross,	3 15
H. C. Weiss,	1 80
F. C. Brown,	3 30
C. H. Ray,	2 75
John H. Hunt,	3 53
C. F. Brown,	5 85
L. E. Bailey,	41 78
J. C. Whitney,	46 50
W. G. Richardson,	61 78
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	\$183 12

**COUNTY POOR.**

Paid Hattie A. Dunlap, for board Rose Gill,	\$85 50
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FOR AID FURNISHED DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

Paid Lucy M. Reed,	67 50
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**TRANSIENT POOR.**

Paid W. W. Taylor, groceries furnished Alfred Jones,	15 00
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**ELECTRIC LIGHT.**

Town Appropriation,	\$950 00
Paid E. R. Woodbury for lighting streets from April 12th to Feb. 12th,	783 35
Unexpended Balance, Feb. 15th, 1901,	<u>166 65</u>

**STATE TAX.**

Town Appropriation,	\$1,117 75
Paid Solon Carter, State Tax,	\$1,117 75

**COUNTY TAX.**

Town Appropriation,	\$1,711 91
Paid William H. Follansby,	\$1,711 91

**ABATEMENTS AND DISCOUNTS.**

Paid B. R. Wheeler, abatement on 1896 tax,	\$15 69
F. O. Wheeler, abatement on 1899 tax,	42 41
F. O. Wheeler, abatement on 1900 tax,	46 69
Town Farm, abatement for 1900	73 17
F. O. Wheeler, over tax,	40 02
F. O. Wheeler, discounts,	<u>760 69</u>
	\$978 67

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**NOTES AND INTEREST.**

Paid A. M. Merrill, interest on Duston	
note,	\$80 00
A. M. Merrill, Duston note,	2,000 00
A. M. Merrill, interest on Duston	
note,	40 00
Note National Bank of Redemption,	4,000 00
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	\$6,120 00

**TOWN OFFICERS.**

Paid E. W. Stevens, supervisor,	\$12 00
Dr. W. H. Presby, health officer,	26 00
W. E. Lancaster, health officer,	16 00
James Ayer, health officer,	58 64
James Ayer, town clerk,	65 00
Chas. Hill, town clerk,	20 00
Fred O. Wheeler, services as col-	
lector,	125 00
Alfred Littlefield, auditor,	2 00
G. W. Palmer, auditor,	2 00
J. W. Kelley, constable,	7 50
F. W. Allen, police officer,	6 25
James H. Hadley, supervisor, 1899,	
1900,	20 00
F. D. Davis, moderator,	9 50
John F. Hall, police officer,	1 75
James Ewins, treasurer,	40 00
Charles S. Woodbury, selectman,	112 00
Frank F. Wheeler, selectman,	97 00
Prescott B. Emerson, selectman,	81 00
John F. Hall, prosecuting officer,	35 00
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\$736 64



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 RECAPITULATION.

Whole number of assets,		\$25,504 25
Paid on account of schools,	\$4,775 59	
Roads and bridges,	3,749 14	
Miscellaneous,	1,406 73	
County poor,	153 00	
Town poor,	15 00	
Abatements and discounts,	978 67	
Pathing snow,	183 12	
Electric lights,	783 35	
Notes and interest,	6,120 00	
Town officers,	736 64	
State tax,	1,117 75	
County tax,	1,711 95	
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		\$21,730 94
Due on land sold for taxes, 1898,	\$190 81	
"      "      "      1899,	72 08	
From F. O. Wheeler, taxes, 1899,	67 58	
"      "      "      interest,	8 44	
"      "      "      taxes, 1900,	1,809 67	
In hands of treasurer,	1,624 73	
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		\$3,773 31
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		\$25,504 25

CHARLES S. WOODBURY,  
 FRANK F. WHEELER,  
 PRESCOTT B. EMERSON,  
 Selectmen of Salem.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts  
 and find them properly vouched for.

ALBERT L. LITTLEFIELD,  
 GEORGE W. PALMER,  
 Auditors.

## STATEMENT.

### DUE THE TOWN.

Land sold for taxes, 1898,	\$190 81
“ “ “ 1899,	72 08
Due from F. O. Wheeler, on taxes, 1900,	1,809 67
“ “ “ “ 1899,	67 58
“ “ “ interest,	8 44
Cash in Treasurer's hands,	1,624 73
	\$3,773 31

### OUTSTANDING NOTES AGAINST THE TOWN.

Henry Buck fund,	\$200 00
Old school note, No. 2,	293 54
“ “ “ “ 10,	258 26
	\$751 80
Balance in favor of the town,	3,021 57

### APPRAISAL OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN.

Town Farm valued at	\$5,000 00
Safe,	200 00
House,	2,500 00
2 hearses,	500 00
Road machine,	250 00
Wood land,	250 00
Personal property at almshouse,	3,237 95
Lumber on hand,	40 00
	\$11,977 95

CHARLES S. WOODBURY,  
FRANK F. WHEELER,  
PRESCOTT B. EMERSON,  
Selectmen of Salem.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

### Dr.

To cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1900,	\$996 97
Received from dog licenses,	308 65
Sale lots Mount Pleasant Cemetery,	20 00
Sale lots Pine Grove Cemetery,	68 00
J. F. Hall, Pros. agent, illegal sales liquor, 1899,	\$30 00
J. F. Hall, Pros. agent, illegal sales liquor, 1900,	28 50
	\$58 50
Railroad tax,	\$195 37
Savings Bank tax,	223 38
Literary fund,	167 00
Proportion school money,	667 85
	\$1,253 60
Sale of lumber and nails,	49 47
Discount note,	3,956 67
County aid,	168 00
Superintendent town farm,	87 35
Rent town hall,	1 50
B. R. Wheeler, taxes, 1896,	\$73 84
B. R. Wheeler, abatements, 1896,	15 69
	\$89 53
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$7,058 24

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$7,058 24
Land sold for taxes, 1897, redeemed,	102 13
Land sold for taxes, 1898, redeemed,	86 86
Land sold for taxes, 1899, redeemed,	70 11
F. O. Wheeler, taxes, 1899,	\$1,388 47
F. O. Wheeler, abate- ments, 1899,	42 41
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	\$1,430 88
F. O. Wheeler, interest,	30 00
F. O. Wheeler, taxes, 1900,	\$13,650 88
F. O. Wheeler, discounts, 1900,	760 69
F. O. Wheeler, abate- ments, 1900,	119 86
F. O. Wheeler, over tax, 1900,	40 02
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	\$14,571 45
Road machine,	6 00
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	\$23,355 67

**Cr.**

By paid on orders of Selectmen,	\$21,730 94
Balance on hand Feb. 1901,	\$1,624 73

JAMES EWINS, Town Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them properly vouched for.

ALBERT L. LITTLEFIELD,  
GEORGE W. PALMER,

Auditors.



## PINE GROVE CEMETERY FUNDS.

Gilman Corning Fund,	\$700 00	
Unexpended Balance,	17 63	
Interest to May 25th, 1900,	42 00	
	<hr/>	\$759 63
C. H. Smith expended on drives,	\$38 00	
Cundy Fund,	\$100 00	
Interest to Dec. 31st, 1900,	16 00	
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	\$116 00	
Expended on Cundy Lot,		\$ 4 00
Due on Cundy Fund,		112 00
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		\$116 00
Whittier Fund,	\$50 00	
Interest due April 1st, 1900,	2 00	
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	\$52 00	
Expended on Whittier Lot,		\$ 2 00.
Due on Whittier Fund,		50 00
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		\$52 00
Henry Buck Fund,	\$100 00	
Interest to November 4th, 1900,	4 00	
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	\$104 00	
Expended on Buck Lot,		\$ 4 00
Due on Buck Fund,		100 00
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		\$104 00
Gilbert Emerson Fund,	\$100 00	
Interest to April 1st, 1900,	6 00	
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	\$106 00	
Expended on Emerson Lot,		\$ 4 00
Due on Emerson Fund,		102 00
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		\$106 00

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Charles Noyes Fund,	\$100 00	
Interest to April 1st, 1900,	6 00	
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	\$106 00	
Expended on Noyes Lot,		\$ 4 00
Due on Noyes Fund,		102 00
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		\$106 00
Benniah Pettingall Fund,	\$100 00	
Interest to March 24th, 1901,	4 00	
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		\$104 00

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## MOUNT PLEASANT CEMETERY FUNDS.

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Samuel T. Newell Fund,	\$100 00	
Interest to Oct. 1st, 1900,	4 00	
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	\$104 00	
Expended on Newell Lot,		\$ 4 00
Due on Newell Fund,		100 00
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		\$104 00
Albert Mirrick Fund,	\$100 00	
Interest to April 1st, 1900,	4 00	
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	\$104 00	
Expended on Mirrick Lot,		\$ 4 00
Due on Mirrick Fund,		100 00
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		\$104 00
C. G. Taylor Fund,	\$100 00	
Interest to April 1st, 1901,	4 00	
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	\$104 00	
Expended on Taylor Lot,		\$ 4 00
Due on Taylor Fund,		100 00
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		\$104 00

Mathew Paul Fund,	\$100 00	
Interest to April 1st, 1900,	4 00	
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	\$104 00	
Expended on Paul Lot,		\$ 4 00
Due on Paul Fund,		100 00
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		\$104 00
Reuben F. Taylor Fund,	\$100 00	
Interest to May 1st, 1901,	4 00	
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	\$104 00	
Expended on Taylor Lot,		\$ 4 00
Due on Taylor Fund,		100 00
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		\$104 00
Hattie D. Hunt Fund,	\$100 00	
Interest to March 13th, 1901,	4 00	
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Due on Hunt Fund,		\$104 00
Augusta M. Duston Fund,	\$100 00	
Interest to March 13th, 1901,	4 00	
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Due on Duston Fund,		\$104 00

### PINE GROVE CEMETERY.

#### Selectmen's Account.

##### Dr.

Cash in Treasurer's hands,	\$179 65
Received for sale of lots,	68 00
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	\$247 65

##### Cr.

Paid C. H. Smith, care of cemetery,	\$25 00
Cutting Bushes in cemetery,	8 50
Cash in Treasurer's hands,	214 15
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	\$247 65

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**MOUNT PLEASANT CEMETERY.**
**Selectmen's Account.****Dr.**

Cash in Treasurer's hands,	\$42 50
Received for sale of lots,	20 00
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	\$62 50

**Cr.**

Paid N. H. Paul for labor and supplies in Mount Pleasant cemetery,	\$12 10
Cash in Treasurer's hands,	50 40
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	\$62 50

CHARLES S. WOODBURY,  
FRANK F. WHEELER,  
PRESCOTT B. EMERSON,  
Selectmen of Salem.

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**REPORT OF PROSECUTING OFFICER.**

Received from Justice B. R. Wheeler, amount of fines,	\$70 00
To services of Prosecuting Officer,	\$35 00
Paid Chas. H. Smith, livery bill,	2 50
H. W. Norris, livery bill,	1 00
F. W. Allen, livery bill and police service,	3 00
James Ewins, Treasurer, cash to balance,	28 50
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	\$70 00

Four cases have been prosecuted and conviction secured for violation of law relating to malt liquor and one on distilled liquor.

JOHN F. HALL.



## OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

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Cash received as per Superintendent's report,	\$2,430	51
Cash paid as per Superintendent's report,	\$2,286	31
Cash in Superintendent's hands,	144	20
	\$2,430	51
Amount of Personal property at almshouse, Feb. 15, 1901,	\$3,237	95
Amount Feb. 15th, 1900,	3,197	55
	\$40	40

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## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE.

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Dr.		
Received for Milk,	\$1,630	66
Labor,	250	00
Wood,	28	50
Cows,	137	50
Calves,	52	00
Bull,	30	00
Potatoes,	30	00
Cabbage,	12	00
Pasturing Heifer,	6	00
Old Wagon,	15	00
Bags,	6	00
John Richardson, board,	96	00
Grace Richardson, board,	49	50
Received from County, board and clothes for Chas. Thom,	87	35
	\$2,430	51

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Paid for grain,	\$789 41
Groceries,	296 84
Meat,	159 29
Fish,	15 16
Smoking hams,	1 10
Blacksmithing,	37 70
J. O. Neal, labor,	211 50
Cows,	327 00
Pigs,	20 50
Potatoes,	13 30
Hay,	35 31
Butter,	17 51
Hardware,	7 35
Sawdust,	7 00
Labor,	151 68
Phosphate,	33 08
Grass Seed,	5 52
Cutting Wood,	11 25
Clothes and medicine for Thom,	4 20
Dry Goods,	1 13
Curtains,	1 00
Ice,	6 48
Stove Castings,	1 75
Hanging Paper,	4 00
Whitewashing,	1 25
Milk Cans,	11 00
Drag,	3 00
Onè Wagon,	65 00
One Harness,	15 00
Use of Land,	20 00
Pasturing,	12 00
Town Treasurer,	87 35
Cash on hand,	56 85

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\$2,430 51

## PERSONAL PROPERTY AT ALMSHOUSE

FEBRUARY 15, 1901.

25 Tons English hay,	\$500 00
5 " run hay,	75 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ " Rye straw,	6 00
Market wagon,	35 00
Democrat wagon,	65 00
Horse rake,	15 00
Mowing machine (2 horse),	25 00
Wheel harrow,	12 00
22 Cows,	1,100 00
2 Calves,	4 00
1 Bull,	25 00
2 Horses,	200 00
35 Tons ensilage (\$5.00 per ton),	175 00
5 Shoats,	30 00
21 Bags mix feed,	21 00
8 Bags meal,	8 00
1 Bag gluten,	1 15
1 Farm wagon,	30 00
1 Two-horse wagon,	35 00
1 Two-horse Cart,	35 00
1 Two-horse sled,	20 00
1 One-horse sled,	6 00
1 Ox cart,	40 00
1 Ox sled,	8 00
1 Weeder,	8 00
Double harness with collars,	20 00
3 Light harnesses,	20 00
1 Heavy harness,	10 00
Lot old harness,	2 00
1 Sulky plow,	40 00
1 Swivel plow,	18 00
Lot old plows,	5 00
50 Empty flour barrels,	5 00
8 Bushels rye,	6 00
20 Bushels sweet corn,	10 00
35 Bushels yellow corn,	14 00

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Lot groceries,	\$7 00
10 Bushels potatoes,	7 00
10 Bushels carrots,	5 00
20 Bushels beets,	10 00
1 Barrel salt pork,	18 00
18 Cans fruit,	3 60
2 Barrels flour,	9 25
550 Gallons vinegar,	55 00
4 Bushels colored beans,	8 00
20 pounds lard,	2 00
5 pounds butter,	1 35
10 Barrels cabbages,	7 50
8 Barrels apples,	16 00
100 pounds ham,	13 00
2 Bushels turnips,	1 00
20 Sheets,	2 50
10 Straw Beds,	5 00
16 Feather Beds,	30 00
30 Pillows and Bolsters,	13 50
11 Comforters and Quilts,	10 00
35 Towels,	3 50
Knives and Forks,	1 00
5 Lamps,	1 00
Mirrors and Clocks,	2 00
23 Pillow Cases,	2 30
Milk Tank,	7 00
16 Window Screens,	3 50
2 Screen Doors,	2 00
Washing Machine,	6 00
5 Storm Windows,	6 00
Chest and Drawers,	5 00
Lot Crockery,	3 00
Lot Jugs,	50
Sideboard,	3 00
Lot Clothes Line,	50
Lot Brooms,	75
Wash Tubs,	2 00
2 Clothes Horses,	1 50



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Chairs and Tables,	\$10 00
2 Watering Pots,	1 25
Flat Irons,	2 00
Stillyards,	35
6 Pork Barrels,	2 00
2 Brass Kettles,	2 00
Oil and Can,	1 10
Wash Boiler,	1 50
Oil Stove,	50
Tobacco Cutter,	1 00
Churn and Milk Pails,	3 50
18 Milk Cans,	11 00
Butter Box,	50
Tin Ware,	5 00
4 Lanterns,	2 00
Warming Pan,	1 00
3 Stone Jugs,	1 00
1½ bushel Salt,	50
1 Wringer,	2 00
Cooking Stove,	15 00
Soap,	50
2 Wood Stoves,	8 00
10 Fowls,	5 00
3 Ladders,	4 40
5 Hay Forks,	1 75
1 Scoop Shovel,	1 00
8 Shovels,	4 00
6 Manure Forks,	1 80
1 Manure Hook,	50
6 Hoes,	1 50
3 Potato Hooks,	1 00
Stone Pick,	65
2 Wood Rakes,	50
1 Loafer Rake,	75
3 Scythes and Snaths,	3 00
6 Picks and Handles,	6 00
1 Iron Bar,	1 00
Chains,	3 00

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Stone Hammer,	\$ 50
1 Harrow,	2 00
2 Wheel Barrows,	4 00
3 Whiffletrees,	2 00
3 Yokes,	2 25
1 Horse Weight,	1 00
Wood Measures,	1 50
Hay Cutter,	2 00
2 Cross Cut Saws,	2 00
3 Axes,	2 50
Hay Rack,	5 00
Grain Chest,	5 00
2 Garden Rakes,	1 00
3 Wood Saws,	1 50
Horse Hoe,	4 00
Corn Planter,	20 00
Grind Stone,	3 00
20 Feed Boxes,	1 00
10 Pails,	1 00
3 Augers,	1 50
2 Feed Bags,	1 50
4 Bush Scythes,	2 00
Curry Combs and Brushes,	70
Horse Blankets,	3 50
Pulley Block and Rope,	1 00
Whips,	50
Halters,	75
Lot Baskets,	3 00
20 pounds Nails,	1 00
Lot Rope,	50
Barbed Wire,	3 50
Lot Lumber,	6 00
Dynamite and Fuse,	40
10 Cords Prepared Wood,	40 00
8 Cords Fire Wood,	20 00
9 Meal Bags,	90
200 Sacks,	4 00
1 Pung,	45 00
Lot of Ice,	30 00
Lot of Saw Dust,	2 00
1 Drag,	5 00
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Total,	\$3,237 95

## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

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TO THE SELECTMEN OF SALEM.

The Board of Health respectfully submits its report for the year ending February 15, 1901.

We are pleased to note that our attention has been called to only twenty cases of nuisance, against forty-one reported last year, showing that the citizens are alive to the importance of keeping their premises in a more sanitary condition than hitherto has been the case. There are some localities visited, that have been difficult for the Board to improve, owing to the peculiar situation, and the great expense required to do away with the existing conditions, but it has endeavored to do all in its power to bring about a better state of things.

We have visited all of the public buildings, and found considerable improvement has been made in several instances, especially the out-houses connected with the school buildings. The efforts put forth by the School Board to improve the condition of the school property is commended, and a continuance of their vigilance will result in having a cleanly, healthy and sanitary condition in all of the school buildings.

Two deaths having occurred in one family in a short time, we suspected that the well water was the cause. A sample of the water was sent to Prof. E. R. Angell, who reported it as unfit for use. The well was cleaned out and other precautions taken to prevent the spread of disease.

There were sixty-seven cases of contagious disease reported: scarletina, 1; scarlet fever, 2; typhoid fever, 2, and 62 cases of measles. Two cases were fatal—measles, 1, and typhoid, 1,—both in the same family before alluded to.

Our annual report to the United States Marine Hospital Service, Washington, D. C., contains the following :

“Contagious diseases reported to the Salem Board of Health :

Measles,	62 cases	1 death.
Scarletina,	1 case	
Scarlet fever,	2 cases	
Typhoid fever,	2 cases	1 death.

There were 32 deaths from all causes in 1900.

Population of Salem, 1900—2,041.

Death rate per cent. on 1,000 population, 15.67.”

W. H. PRESBY, M. D.,

JAMES AYER,

WILLIAM E. LANCASTER,

Board of Health.

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## SALEM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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### LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

*To the Board of Trustees of the Salem Public Library :*

Gentlemen—The annual report of the library, showing its work for the year ending Feb. 15, 1901, is herewith presented.

The Year's Growth :—Since our last report, 104 books have been added to the library, 98 by purchase and 6 gifts, making a total of 1,597, exclusive of Town, State and Agricultural reports, of which there are 248 bound volumes and 422 paper covers and pamphlets.

The Year's Circulation :—During the year, 4,851 volumes were issued for home use, a decrease from last year of 285. About one third of the books issued were sent to the Depot village, and nearly one seventh to North Salem. The largest number issued in one month, was 530 in December ; the smallest number, 327 in May. The largest number in one day, 130, February 9 ; the smallest number, 68, June 2. Average per day, a fraction over 93.

Received for fines,	\$4 92
For sale of catalogues,	75

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Amount,	\$5 67
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Respectfully submitted,

SUSAN A. CLUFF, Librarian.

February 18, 1901.



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**REPORT OF TREASURER OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.**
**Receipts.**

Feb. 15, 1900, Cash on hand,	\$49 38	
July 7, Received from Town Treasurer,	78 90	
Dec. 19, Received from Town Treasurer,	100 00	
Feb. 1901, fines and sale of catalogues,	5 67	
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		\$233 95

**Expenditures.**

Books,	\$101 67	
Librarian's salary,	60 00	
Librarian's extra work,	1 97	
J. H. Wilson's salary,	26 00	
Milton G. Woodbury,	11 25	
R. McDonald's heirs,	1 75	
Fuel,	7 00	
Insurance premium,	4 80	
Oil,	3 23	
Other supplies,	1 59	
Book for preserving valuable papers,	2 00	
Car fares,	1 56	
Two Curtains,	1 16	
Sawing wood,	40	
Express charges,	95	
Stamps and money orders,	40	
Having funnel cleaned,	25	
Balance on hand, Feb. 15, 1901,	7 97	
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		\$233 95

JOHN C. CROWELL, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them properly vouched for.

ALBERT L. LITTLEFIELD,  
GEORGE W. PALMER,

Auditors.

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**STATEMENT OF FUNDS HELD BY TRUSTEES.**

In Amoskeag bank, Manchester, to July	
1, 1900,	\$344 76
In Essex bank, Lawrence, to October	
17, 1900,	181 68
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	\$526 44

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.**

The Trustees of the Salem Free Public Library herewith submit their annual report concerning the institution in their charge, for the year ending Feb. 15, 1901.

We find, at the close of the eighth year of its existence, that the library is possessed of vigorous life, and we have reason to be proud of it, with its shelves containing nearly two thousand volumes, and its comfortable well lighted room so easy of access.

Some one has said "The first aim of a library is public happiness," and we feel that our library is fulfilling this aim.

The Trustees believe that more good can be accomplished with fewer books well chosen than with a larger number of the class in which we find, for instance, "Peck's Bad Boy." If books like that were all that were called for, the library would not be fulfilling its mission as an educational institution.

Well written books are not of necessity oppressively good or tiresome.

The use of wholesome, light literature is important, for by it the habit of reading is often acquired. Good books of fiction enlarge one's knowledge of human nature, either human nature generally or that of some other age and country, like a good historical romance. It is folly to read trash when there is plenty of good fiction in the world to occupy as much time as fiction can fairly claim.

The use of reading cannot be measured by the number of books read, but by the stimulus given to the mind and the amount of knowledge gained.

With a good supply of interesting books, one finds dull times less dull, and seasons of enforced idleness afford oppor-

tunities for profitable reading. Hence depression in business should cause an increased patronage of the library.

The Trustees desire to call attention to the most valuable acquisition of the year, the John L. Stoddard Lectures, in ten volumes, each volume containing about four hundred illustrations. President Eliot, of Harvard, says: "These lectures are one of the broadly educational influences of the times." They are not only full of instruction, but are delightfully entertaining, and the Trustees believe that the public will appreciate them.

As it is our intention to exercise care in the selection of books to be placed upon our shelves, we believe that our library will be an ever widening influence for good.

The demands of the public upon this institution will undoubtedly increase from year to year, and as the number of volumes is steadily growing greater, we shall soon need more shelf room. This will involve a little more expense. In using the sum appropriated by the town the Trustees have kept the expenditures within the appropriation and have endeavored to make the selection of books as useful and profitable as possible to the town.

As usual, the new books have been most in demand, and the Trustees believe that the best new publications should be added from year to year in order that the success of this institution may be assured.

To this end we ask that the appropriation for the coming year be, at least, as large as that for each of the two years just past.

The Trustees are looking forward to the time when we shall have a reading room for our young people, so that, with larger facilities, we can do good work in connection with the schools, between which, and the library, close co-operation should exist, and all possible ties should be strengthened.

The Trustees extend thanks to the Librarian for the faithfulness with which she has performed her varied duties, and also to all who, during the year, have in any way contributed to the success of this institution, especially to the National Government, for the Report of the Smithsonian Institute; to Mrs. Moody Currier, for State Papers, Addresses and Poems by Ex-Gov.

Moody Currier; to Thomas W. Balch, for the Alabama Arbitration; to Mrs. Edith Woodbury, for Life's Gateways; to Mr. Henry E. Ladd, for two Ladd's First Trip Abroad; to Alexander Fullerton, for the Proofs of Theosophy, and to Miss Mary Woodbury, for the Saturday Evening Post.

In connection with this report, there will be found a list of the books which have been added during the year.

For further details in regard to the finances, etc., the Trustees refer you to the reports of the Treasurer and Librarian.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. CROWELL,

WALLACE W. COLE,

LEVI W. TAYLOR,

Trustees.

## BOOKS ADDED DURING THE YEAR.

F., Fiction; J., Juvenile; H., Historical; M., Miscellaneous; B., Biographical; S., Science; P., Poems; R., Religious; Y., Youth; D. & T., Description and Travel.

Class.	Author and Title.	Number.
F.	Barrie, J. M. Tommy and Grizel,	1499
F.	Barton, W. E. Pine Knot,	1500
F.	Bacheller, Irving, Eben Holden,	1501
P.	Browning, Rob't, Poems,	1547
P.	Browning, Elizabeth B., Poems,	1548
Y.	Blanchard, A. E., A Girl of '76,	1549
Y.	Blanchard, A. E., A Revolutionary Maid,	1550
Y.	Blanchard, A. E., A Daughter of Freedom,	1551
F.	Barton, W. E., A Hero in Homespun,	1552
Y.	Brooks, Amy, Randy's Summer,	1553
D. & T.	Butterworth, H., Lost in Nicaragua,	1554
F.	Connor, Ralph, The Sky Pilot,	1502
F.	Connor, Ralph, Black Rock,	1506
F.	Carey, Rosa N., Life's Trivial Round,	1503

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Class.	Author and Title.	Number.
F.	Cholmondeley, M., Red Pottage,	1504
F.	Castle, A and E., The Bath Comedy,	1505
S.	Cragin, B. S., Our Insect Friends and Foes,	1507
F.	Crawford, F. M., Saracinesca,	1555
F.	Crawford, F. M., In the Palace of the King,	1556
F.	Cormin, C. E., Onesimus,	1557
Y.	Deland, E. D., Oakleigh,	1508
M.	Bouton, E. S., Life's Gateways,	1509
F.	Davis, W. S., A Friend of Cæsar,	1510
Y.	Drysdale, W., The Fast Mail,	1558
Y.	Drysdale, W., The Beach Patrol,	1559
Y.	Drysdale, W., The Young Supercargo,	1560
Y.	Elmslie, T. C., His Lordship's Puppy,	1561
F.	Ewing, J. H., Jackanapes,	1511
S.	Flournoy, T., From India to the Planet Mars,	1562
F.	Cox, J., Jr., A Cumberland Vendetta,	1512
F.	Grant, R., Unleavened Bread,	1513
Y.	Gibson, W. H., Camp Life in the Woods,	1514
Y.	Gibson, W. H., Eye Spy,	1515
F.	Goss, C. F., The Redemption of David Corson,	1516
F.	Graydon, W. M., Exiled to Siberia,	1563
F.	Halery, L., The Abbe Constantin,	1517
F.	Holmes, M. J., The Tracey Diamonds,	1518
Y.	Holbrook, R., Boys and Men,	1519
M.	Hillis, N. D., A Man's Value to Society,	1520
F.	Hall, Ruth, The Black Gown,	1564
F.	Hewlett, M., Richard Yea and Nay,	1565
F.	Johnston, M., To Have and To Hold,	1521
F.	Johnston, M., Prisoners of Hope,	1522
Y.	Johnson, Mrs. C., Earning Her Way to College,	1566
H.	Lodge, H. C., The War with Spain,	1523
F.	Mitchell, S. W. Dr., Dr. North and His Friends,	1567
Y.	Madison, L. F., A Maid at King Alfred's Court,	1568
F.	Munn, C. C., Uncle Terry,	1569
B.	Moody, Wm. H. Life of Dwight L. Moody.	1524
Y.	Otis, James. With Perry on Lake Erie.	1570
Y.	Plympton, A. G. A Child of Glee.	1571



Class.	Author and Title.	Number
Y.	Pool, Mariah. Little Bermuda.	1525
Y.	Ray, A. C. Phoebe, Her Profession.	1572
Y.	Rabb, K. M. The Boer Boy.	1573
Y.	Raymond, E. The Story of Delight.	1574
Y.	Richards, L. E. Rita.	1575
Y.	Sidney, M. Adventures of Joel Pepper.	1576
Y.	Stoddard, W. I. The Young Financier.	1577
Y.	Stratemeyer, E. Between Boer and Briton.	1578
D. & T.	Stoddard, J. L. Lectures, Norway, Switzerland, etc. Vol. 1.	1579
	Lectures, Constantinople, Jerusalem, Egypt. Vol. 2.	1580
	Japan 1. Japan 2. China. Vol. 3.	1581
	India 1. India 2. Passion Play. Vol. 4.	1582
	Paris, La Belle France, Spain. Vol. 5.	1583
	Berlin, Vienna, St. Petersburg, etc. Vol. 6.	1584
	The Rhine, Belgium, Holland, etc. Vol. 7.	1585
	Florence, Naples, Rome. Vol. 8.	1586
	Scotland, England, London. Vol. 9.	1587
	So. California, Canyon of Col. River, etc. Vol. 10.	1588
F.	Seawell, M. E. Adventures of Gavin Hamilton.	1526
F.	Stockton, F. R. A Bicycle of Cathay.	1527
Y.	Stockton, F. R. Young Master of Hyson Hall.	1528
Y.	Stratemeyer, E. Young Volunteer in Cuba.	1529
Y.	Stratemeyer, E. Fighting in Cuban Waters.	1530
Y.	Stratemeyer, E. Under Otis in the Philippines.	1531
Y.	Stratemeyer, E. Campaign of the Jungle.	1532
Y.	Stratemeyer, E. Richard Dare's Venture.	1533
Y.	Stratemeyer, E. Oliver Bright's Search.	1534

Class.	Author and Title.	Number
Y.	Stratemeyer, E. To Alaska for Gold.	1535
Y.	Sidney, Margaret. Stories Polly Pepper Told.	1536
F.	Stevens, R. N. Philip Winwood.	1537
D. & T.	Smith, A. H. Village Life in China.	1538
F.	Twain, Mark. Man that Corrupted Hadleyburg.	1539
F.	Thackeray, W. M. Pendennis.	1540
F.	Thurston, I. T. A Bachelor Maid and her Brother.	1541
Y.	Tomlinson, L. The Triangle.	1542
M.	Twain, Mark. English as she is taught.	1589
M.	Trine, R. W. What all the World's a Seeking.	1590
Y.	Thurston, I, T. The Bishop's Shadow.	1591
F.	Thompson, M. Alice of Old Vincennes.	1592
Y.	Tomlinson, E. T. Three Colonial Boys.	1593
F.	Ward, Mrs. H. Eleanor.	1543
P.	Wilcox, E. W. Poems.	1544
H.	Whitney, Caspar. Hawaiian America.	1545
M.	Walcott & Langley. Smithsonian Report.	1546
Y.	White, E. O. Ednah and her Brothers.	1594
M.	Wood, H. Studies in the Thought World.	1595
D. & T.	Wiggin, K. D. Penelope's experiences. Vol. 1.	1596
	Penelope's experiences. Vol. 2.	1597
	The Alabama Arbitration.	
	The Proofs of Theosophy.	
	Two Ladd's First Trip Abroad.	
	Currier State Papers, Addresses and Poems.	

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SALEM, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1900.

Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.	Name of Child, if any.	Sex	Living or Stillborn.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Residence of Parents.
January 6	Salem	Arthur Simpson Call	M	L	Percy J. Call	Agnes T. Simpson	Salem
January 13	"	Linnie Davis Smith	F	L	Charles M. Smith	Sarah M. Woodman	"
January 27	"	Sabra P. Wallace	F	L	Lascelles C. Wallace	Flora M. Trull	"
January 26	"	Walter Norris Allen	M	L	Fred W. Allen	Ida B. Norris	"
February 3	"	Mary Effie Havey	F	L	John Havey	Delia Gardner	"
February 14	"	Frank Wheeler Val. Richardson	M	L	Willis G. Richardson	Annie Movoing	"
March 1	"	Irene Leona Ross	F	L	J. Herbert Ross	Jennie E. Clevery	"
March 21	"	Amelia Wilhelmina Wunhold	F	L	Albert E. Wunhold	Wilhelmina A. Thompson	"
April 30	"	Irving Wadsworth Lundburg	M	L	Frank E. Lundburg	Emma P. Real	"
May 1	"	Carl Herbert Long	M	L	Walter Herbert Long	May Alice Winning	"
June 6	"	Carl Harold Turner	M	L	Ambrose N. Turner	Eva O. Joy	"
June 15	"	Howes	M	S	George M. Howes	Margaret Smith	"
June 18	"	Eva Mildred Rowell	F	L	L. Eugene Rowell	Mary E. Wilson	"
June 25	"	Viola M. Davis	F	L	Frank Davis	Mabel Hutchins	"
June 27	"	Ernest Edward Shaw	M	L	John E. Shaw	Mary J. Judge	"
July 1	"	Fannie Blotner	F	L	Charles Blotner	Bella Laiwand	"
July 17	"	Mary Alice Garland	F	L	Alfred M. Garland	Ruth Heaps	"
August 25	"	Azaraut	M	L	Avagine Azaraut	Mary Azaraut	"
August 26	"	George Henry Jones	M	L	Alfred Jones	Mary Ann Perry	"
August 2	"	Olie Sleeper	M	L	James Burton Sleeper	Annie McPhail	"
October 18	"	William Leslie Foster	M	L	Leon Leslie Foster	Eva Annie Scott	"
November 18	"	Finger	M	L	David Finger	Celia Gronan	"
November 28	"	Joseph Arthur Alfred Fluet	M	L	E. Albert Fluet	Zenaide Lamontagne	"
December 4	"	Esther Lydia Woodbury	F	L	Lewis F. Woodbury	Frances J. Story	"
December 20	"	George William Clinton	M	L	Horace Clinton	Emma Clevery	"

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to my best knowledge and belief.

JAMES AYER, Town Clerk.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SALEM, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING, DECEMBER 31, 1900.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence at Time of Marriage.	Age of Each.	Occupation.	Place of Birth of Each.
Feb. 6	Salem, N. H.	William T. Bartley. Carrie B. Webster.	Salem, N. H.	31	Clergyman.	Concord, N. H.
June 6	Salem, N. H.	Frank N. Emerson. Annie M. Palmer.	Salem, N. H.	25	At Home.	Salem, N. H.
June 20	Salem, N. H.	Charles H. Call. Alice B. Couilliard.	Derry, N. H.	28	Heel Cutter.	Salem, N. H.
June 25	West Derry, N. H.	Orrin C. Reed.	Salem, N. H.	19	Dressmaker.	Tilton, N. H.
July 12	Salem, N. H.	Emma O. Beaudin. Fred Burton Smith.	Salem, N. H.	21	Fireman.	Lawrence, Mass.
July 30	Salem, N. H.	Ethel May Berry. Donato di Santo.	Salem, N. H.	18	Housekeeper.	Salem, N. H.
Aug. 8	East Deering, N. H.	Richetta Miele. Henry P. Taylor.	Lawrence, Mass.	24	Teamster.	Lawrence, Mass.
Sept. 12	Salem, N. H.	Jennie A. Palmer. Weston H. Norris.	Salem, N. H.	19	Dressmaker.	Salem, N. H.
Sept. 20	Salem, N. H.	Mary C. Potter. John Slack.	Salem, N. H.	20	Cook.	Salem, N. H.
Nov. 28	Salem, N. H.	Harriet Adelina Duston. Archibald McPherson. Margaret O'Hara.	Salem, N. H.	18	Waitress.	Haverhill, Mass.
				21	Card Stripper.	Naples, Italy.
				35	Spinner.	Caserta, Italy.
				21	Grocer.	Salem, N. H.
				26	Operative.	Derry, N. H.
				21	Blacksmith.	Danbury, N. H.
				37	Operative.	Patten, Maine.
				19	Horse Hair Dresser.	Morley, Yorkshire, Eng
				41	Housekeeper.	Salem, N. H.
				35	Dyer.	Edinburgh, Scotland.
					Cook.	Newry, Ireland.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JAMES AYER, Town Clerk.

## DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SALEM, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1900.

Date of Death.	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of Deceased.	Age			Sex	Sing. M'd. Wid.	Name of Father.	Disease or Cause of Death.
			Yrs.	Mos.	Days				
Jan. 2	Salem	Grace Lillian Sleeper	16	4	2	F	S	Charles E. Sleeper	Tuberculosis
Jan. 17	"	Sylvia E. Kelley	11	5	29	F	S	James B. Kelley	Rheumatic Fever
Jan. 27	"	Patrick J. Scanlon		2	29	M	S	Patrick J. Scanlon	Pneumonia
Feb. 12	"	Charles A. Reed	69	2	25	M	M	Jesse Reed	Neuralgia of Heart
Feb. 19	"	Robert H. McDonald	72	3		M	M	Donald McDonald	Pneumonia
Feb. 23	"	Isaiah Woodbury	85	11	25	M	W	Richard Woodbury	General Debility
Mar. 18	"	Elizabeth A. Simpson	69	10	6	F	W	Jonas Morse	Chronic Bronchitis
Apr. 5	"	Hattie C. Austin	36	8	20	F	M	John S. Kelley	Hemorrhage from Bowels
Apr. 18	"	Mabel L. Rolf	21	9	7	F	M	Jesse Peabody	Pulmonary Tuberculosis
May 6	"	Gilman Corning	84	6	4	M	W	John Corning	Paralysis, Embolism and Calcified Arteries
May 17	"	Edith W. Nason	45			F	M	Franklin Jacques	Bright's Disease
May 17	"	Robert M. Dickey	72	4		M	M	David Dickey	Catarhal Pneumonia
May 19	"	Eber E. Rice	84			M	W		Jaundice
May 20	"	Susan M. Plumb	49	9	8	F	W	David Lyford	Pneumonia Ends Carditis
May 24	"	Jane Paul	76	11		F	M	John Taylor	Heart Failure
May 24	"	Thomas Beard Middleton	63	6	18	M	M	John Garlick	Phthisis
June 19	"	Sarah E. Gage	69	8	13	F	W	William S. Merrill	Consumption
June 25	"	Zephirim Fluet	4	11	18	M	S	Albert Fluet	Typhoid Fever
June 26	"	John H. Lancaster	83	6	7	M	M	William Lancaster	Cystitis
June 28	"	Joseph H. Dubois	1			M	S	Etien Dubois	Consumption
July 22	"	Marie Aurore Fluet		11	25	F	S	Albert Fluet	Measles



## DEATHS—Continued.

Date of Death.	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of Deceased.	Age		Sex	Sing. M. d. Wid.	Name of Father.	Disease or Cause of Death.
			Yrs.	Mos.				
July 26	Salem	Margaret Hawley	73	7	F	S	Thomas Beavers	Chronic Catarrhal Gastritis
July 26	"	Sadie W. Fletcher	37	9	F	M	David Grant	Phthisis
Aug. 10	"	Martha J. Woodman	85	4	F	W	James Hanson	Dysentery
Aug. 14	"	Joseph Hanson	72	8	M	W	James Hanson	Paresis of the Brain
Sept. 3	"	Gilbert C. Metcalf	86	6	M	W	James E. Young	Old Age
Sept. 10	"	John S. Young		10	M	S	Frank Davis	Enterocolitis
Oct. 7	"	Viola M. Davis		3	F	S	Dodge	Meningitis
Oct. 31	"	Harriett D. Roby	79	11	F	W	Isaiah Kelley	Dropsy
Nov. 10	"	Lucy Jane Webster	83	7	F	W	Jonathan Pattee	Pneumonia
Dec. 24	"	Seth Jonathan M. Pattee	84	7	M	W		Old Age

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JAMES AVER, *Town Clerk.*

PERMITS ISSUED FOR THE REMOVAL OF BODIES OF DECEASED PERSONS TO  
OTHER PLACES FOR INTERMENT FOR THE YEAR 1900.

Patrick J. Scanlon,	died in Salem, N. H.	to Stoneham, Mass.
Elizabeth A. Simpson,	" "	to Windham, N. H.
Edith W. Nason,	" "	to Boxford, Mass.
Zephirim Fluet,	" "	to Lawrence, Mass.
Joseph H. Dubois,	" "	to Lawrence, Mass.
Marie Aurore Fluet,	" "	to Lawrence, Mass.
Martha J. Woodman,	" "	to Methuen, Mass.
Gilbert C. Metcalf.	" "	to Lawrence, Mass.
John S. Young,	" "	to Methuen, Mass.

PERMITS ISSUED FOR INTERMENTS IN SALEM OF DECEASED PERSONS FROM  
OTHER PLACES, FOR THE YEAR 1900.

Leroy Colby Silver	died in Windham, N. H.	Pine Grove Cemetery
Adaline B. Dorr,	died in Methuen, Mass.	" "
Lura B. Hall,	died in Springfield, Mass.	" "
Charles A. Evans	died in Gt. Chebeague Island, Portland, Me.	" "
Edith Coit,	died in Monson, Mass.	" "
Lavina A. Tacy,	died in Ayers Village, Haverhill, Mass.	" "
William W. Clark,	died in Lawrence, Mass.	" "
Ralph A. Barber,	died in Ayers Village, Haverhill, Mass.	" "
Myrta Viola Sweatt,	died in Haverhill, Mass.	" "
Allen W. Moore,	died in Windham, N. H.	" "
Mary E. Kelly,	died in Brentwood, N. H.	" "
Nathaniel Woodbury	died in Haverhill, Mass.	" "
John W. Cluff,	died in Methuen, Mass.	" "
Nellie M. Spurr,	died in Methuen, Mass.	" "

## ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT

—BY THE—

### SCHOOL BOARD OF THE TOWN OF SALEM, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY, 1901.

At the school meeting held in the Town House on March seventeenth, 1900, it was voted that the School Board be authorized to unite with other towns in forming a supervisory district for the purpose of employing a superintendent of schools.

Your committee made arrangements with the School Boards of Hampstead, Fremont and Sandown to meet at the home of Dr. Allen, of Hampstead, last August. At one of our meetings it was arranged that the State Superintendent, Mr. Folsom, be present, that he might aid in the formation of the district, and in the selection of a person to be elected as superintendent of schools.

It was decided to form a district composed of the towns of Hampstead, Fremont and Salem.

At a subsequent meeting of the joint committee, when candidates for the position of Superintendent were present, after conferring with the said candidates, the committee elected Mr. J. S. Richardson as Superintendent of Schools for said supervisory district. Mr. Richardson began his work in Salem in due season, and worked well in the interest of the schools until his resignation in December last. It then became necessary to elect some one to fill the vacancy. At a meeting of the joint committee held in Hampstead in December, out of some twelve candidates, Mr. Hulse of Tilton was elected to fill the vacancy. Mr. Hulse

has thus far shown himself to be well fitted to fill the position.

It is unfortunate that neither Mr. Richardson nor Mr. Hulse did not hold the position of superintendent during the Fall and Winter terms, because neither of these gentlemen have had time to have the best results shown.

We believe that under the direction of a Superintendent, our schools will be improved. It is quite evident to us, that the teachers have taken a deeper interest in their work during the time that special superintendence of the schools has been in operation.

We think it advisable that a course of study be placed in the schools, arranged by the superintendent, which shall be followed out by both teacher and pupil.

This course of study should cover a period of eight or nine years, and promotions from grade to grade should be made only as the superintendent may direct.

A specialist in any one line of work will accomplish much more in that particular line than one who is not.

A person who has made school work his or her life work, one who devotes his or her whole time seeking to put into practice the best methods of instruction, will be of substantial aid to the schools of a town.

Under the direction of a superintendent, teachers meetings will be held from time to time. These meetings will awaken a desire on the part of teachers to know more how to give their best thought to the work of teaching.

We recommend that the sum of, at least, two thousand dollars be raised for the support of schools, in addition to the tax required by law. This amount will probably be sufficient for thirty-three weeks of school, provided the district receives the same aid from the State as in the year just closed.

Number of children between five and sixteen years of age reported by enumerating officer, three hundred and twelve.

Schools Nos. 6 and 7, up to the date of writing this report, have not been in session as many weeks as the other schools. On account of the number of children being out of school it was thought best to close these schools until such time and such conditions as would warrant a larger attendance.

**STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1900.**

Number of weeks in the school year,	33
“ different schools,	11
“ school buildings in use,	9
“ different teachers employed during the year,	13
Total enrollment, boys, 174 ; girls, 163,	334
Average membership,	267
“ daily attendance,	230
Per cent. of “	87
Pupils under six years of age,	31
“ over sixteen “ “	8
“ between six and sixteen years of age,	295
“ not absent or tardy during the year,	11
Number of tardinesses,	893
Average cost per pupil, based on average membership,	\$13 92
“ “ “ for text books and supplies,	1 33

**REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT J. S. RICHARDSON.**

TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SALEM, N. H. :

DEAR SIRs :—In accordance with your request, I submit my report of the condition of your schools and the work begun by me while acting as your Superintendent.

The excellent condition of your school houses and school rooms impressed me especially on my first visit. This of itself foretold very accurately the high regard and local pride the citizens of your town have for educational matters. I also found this same generosity in regard to supplying everything necessary for the actual needs of the pupils. Few towns can compare favorably with you in this respect. Your corps of teachers showed themselves to be thoroughly interested in their work and to possess more of that essential quality—aptness to teach—than is usually found in the teaching force of rural towns. Certainly excellent judgment has been used in executive management by the present as well as by past boards, to bring about such a favorable condition.

The results of your efforts in mathematics was estimated as good ; in history, reading, spelling and writing, fair ; but in

English, grammar, composition, writing and general work in language, although comparing favorably with surrounding towns, still was not what it should be. This deficiency was attributed to the general popularity of the former branches rather than to a lack of interest or thoughtlessness on the part of the instructors. New Hampshire as a state is open to this criticism.

The work done in music meets with my personal endorsement. When we consider that in most of your schools all the grammar grades are represented, it at once can be seen that instruction in this branch is no easy matter. To surmount such a difficulty requires rare tact and thought.

In question of discipline, your schools are open to fair criticism. Good teaching is always accompanied by good discipline. As a remedy to those who may be disturbed in this respect, I would suggest "better teaching."

It was my purpose not to revolutionize when I came to labor with you. A slow steady growth is much to be preferred to a spontaneous one. The first makes little show, but is enduring; the second illustrates the philosophical principle very vividly at a dear cost that, "action and reaction are equal and opposite." It was my desire to win the esteem and respect of yourselves, your teachers and your pupils as soon as possible, then to suggest counsel and direct in improving the whole. From the above slight criticisms it may be seen that the question of "English" was foremost in my thought. Also much importance was placed upon teaching as a profession, that all interested might establish an ideal far in advance to be a permanent incentive for better effort. It is my purpose here simply to enumerate, not to suggest or recommend, as I willingly grant this right to the province of my successor.

The earnest co-operation of one and all of your teachers in complying with my wishes so pleasantly, also the kind words of counsel and encouragement from yourselves, are a constant source of gratification to me whenever reflecting upon my brief stay with you. I desire here to publicly acknowledge my appreciation for all these kindnesses.

Respectfully submitted,

J. SHERMAN RICHARDSON,  
Supt. Aug. 15, 1900—Dec. 11, 1900.



**REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT, EDGAR E. HULSE.**

TO THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SALEM :

GENTLEMEN :—I shall not attempt to make a formal report to you at this early stage of my service as your superintendent. I wish, however, to make a few comments from observations made, and possibly make some suggestions as to the future management of our schools. I believe you are to be congratulated upon the general good condition of the schools throughout the town. It is a fact, which does not need emphasizing to you, that our PUBLIC SCHOOLS are of GREATEST importance. There is no enterprise that deserves the hearty support and sympathy of our citizens so much as the training and education of our children and young people.

I am very glad to see the general interest manifested by all in this direction.

While this state of things is gratifying I do not mean to imply that we should stop here, or that there is no chance for improvement, on the contrary, I think there is much that can be done to improve the efficiency of our school system.

The most imperative need, in my opinion, is the establishing of a graded course of study, an outline of work in each study, for each year, covering a period of eight or nine years.

This would offer to our children a systematic course of instruction which would allow them to get a thorough common school education, and pass them to any High School or Academy, which they may desire to enter.

By adopting such a course of study we shall not only help our pupils to better opportunities and encourage them to greater diligence and better attendance, but we shall economize the time and strength of our teachers and enable them to get better results, for well directed and systematic effort is sure to bring better results in school-work as well as in other pursuits.

It will be a comparatively easy matter to put such a system into operation in Salem, for there already exists a good outline which is being followed by some of the teachers now. As the adoption of this outline has been rather optional with the teacher, and some of the teachers have never had copies of it, it is not in general use.

As soon as possible every child should be assigned to some grade and be promoted from grade to grade as soon as competent or, as a rule, at the end of each school year.

I find your school buildings, generally, in good condition. The light from the windows back of the teacher's desks in the small buildings is very bad for the children's eyes. They should have thick shades and the shades should be down during school hours. Several of the buildings need shades to the other windows.

New books, in the line of regular readers especially, and for supplementary use, both in reading and arithmetic, should be purchased. A change, also, in the geographies is very desirable.

I note, with pleasure, the interest taken and the instruction being given in vocal music. Most of the schools show good work done in this branch.

I am impressed with the fact that the teachers of Salem are, as a rule, well qualified to fill the positions they occupy. They are earnest and progressive. They are studying the individual needs of the pupils as well as the needs of the majority. They are seeking to make themselves better teachers by visiting other schools and by the pursuit of professional studies.

A teacher's club has already been organized, to meet periodically, for the discussion of methods of teaching different subjects, and for the consideration of problems in school management.

I wish to thank the teachers and members of the School Board for the kind treatment and forbearance manifested to me in my efforts to learn about your schools and school-work during the few weeks that I have been among you.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR E. HULSE,

Superintendent of Schools.

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**ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.**

Names of pupils who have not been absent or tardy during any one term :

**School No. 1, Primary.**

## FIRST TERM.

Ethel Ayer, Mabel Cassidy, Margie Richardson, Charlie McLaughlin, Lester Hyde, Arthur Woodbury.

## SECOND TERM.

Lois Ayer, Mildred Smith, Marguerite Weiss, Arthur Abbott, Millard Austin, Chester Haigh, Charles McLaughlin, Roy Tilton, Harold Williams, Arthur Woodbury.

## THIRD TERM.

Arthur Abbott, Arthur Woodbury, Charles McLaughlin, Maurice Hunt, Warren Hunt, Mildred Smith, Marguerite Weiss.

**School No. 1, Grammar.**

## FIRST TERM.

Dorothy Ewins, Susie McLaughlin, Elsie Silver, Hilda Williams, Carrie Woodbury, Bennie Austin, Allie Childs, Harold Haigh, Walter Haigh, Newton Tilton.

## SECOND TERM.

Bennie Austin, Allie Childs, Walter Haigh, Harold Haigh, Lester Hyde, Forrest Hyde, Newton Tilton, George Weiss, Ethel Ayer, Etta Bonney, Dorothy Ewins, Susie McLaughlin, Elsie Silver, Emma Smith, Marion Smith, Hilda Williams, Alice Weiss.

## THIRD TERM.

Allie Childs, Harold Haigh, Lester Hyde, Forrest Hyde, Clarence Richardson, Newton Tilton, George Weiss, Dorothy Ewins, Susie McLaughlin, Flossie Russ, Margie Richardson, Elsie Silver, Emma Smith, Carrie Woodbury.

**School No. 3.**

## SECOND TERM.

Alice S. Chase, Warren E. Chase, James W. Cullen, Gertie M. Felch, Bertha Hastings, Gladys Hastings, Inda Hastings, Lena Hastings, James Needham, Willie Needham.

## THIRD TERM.

Gertie Felch, Clarence Chase.

**School No. 4.**

## FIRST TERM.

Willie Taylor.

## SECOND TERM.

Henry Gross, Herbert Hanson, Charlie E. Pattee, Myron Rolf, Harold Rolf, Herbert Rolf, Bertha Coates, Lena Gross, Ethel Jennings.

## THIRD TERM.

Henry Gross, Charlie Pattee, Herbert Rolf, Lena Gross.

**School No. 6 Primary.**

## FIRST TERM.

Annie Coyle.

## SECOND TERM.

Zilpha Wallace.

**School No. 6, Grammar.**

## FIRST TERM.

Clarence Cameron, Marion Davis, Marion Gale.

## SECOND TERM.

Henry Blethen, Clarence Cameron, Mabel Cameron, Charles Coleman, Ada Clark, Pearl Emery, Anna Shelton, Flora Thom, Edna Wells.

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**School No. 7.**

FIRST TERM.

Irene Paguin.

SECOND TERM.

Clara Delome, Frank Paguin, Irene Paguin.

**School No. 8.**

SECOND TERM.

Mildred Kelley.

**School No. 9.**

FIRST TERM.

Elizabeth A. Cartwright.

THIRD TERM.

Elizabeth Cartwright, Bertha Kelley, Ruth Kelley.

**School No. 10.**

FIRST TERM.

Anna Powers, Alice Howes, Helen Howes, Grace Pattee,  
Charles Winning.

SECOND TERM.

Mary Howes, Alice Howes, Grace Pattee, Clarence Cole,  
John Pattee, Edward Powers, Gussie Powers, Charles Winning.

THIRD TERM.

Alice Howes, John Pattee, Grace Pattee.

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**FINANCIAL REPORT.**
**Dr.**

Amount expended for use of schools, per Treasurer's Report,	\$4,467 59
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**Cr.****Orders on School Treasurer.**

For Teachers,	\$2,708 00
Janitors,	250 80
Fuel,	199 54
Books,	194 71
Supplies,	129 47
Repairs,	166 65
Conveying Pupils,	299 75
School Officers,	102 00
Enumeration,	12 00
Furniture,	14 60
Freight and Express,	5 52
Music Teacher,	126 00
Superintendence of Schools,	251 80
Paid School Board of Windham, tuition,	6 75
	————— \$4,467 59

**Paid for Teachers :**

Cora Maeder, No. 1 Grammar,	\$330 00
May E. Turner, No. 1 Primary,	297 00
Eunice Miller, No. 3,	96 00
Katherine N. Brown, No. 3,	194 40
Emma F. Ford, No. 4,	297 00
Alice Austin, No. 6 Grammar,	82 50
Mary E. Woodbury, No. 6 Grammar,	202 00
Maud H. Wheeler, No. 6 Primary,	253 80
Ida Ryder, No. 7,	189 00
Mary E. Woodbury, No. 8,	77 00
Abbie C. Grover, No. 8,	154 00
Cora Hazeltine, No. 9,	258 50
Mary R. Webster, No. 10,	276 80
	————— \$2,708 00



**Paid for Janitors :**

No. 1 School,	\$88 15
No. 3 School,	10 65
No. 4 School,	24 20
No. 6 School,	80 55
No. 7 School,	8 25
No. 8 School,	8 50
No. 9 School,	11 00
No. 10 School,	19 50
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	\$250 80

**Paid for Fuel :**

B. A. Newcombe, preparing wood,	\$ 50
N. G. Abbott, preparing wood,	1 38
W. H. Hanson, 1 cord pine wood,	3 00
W. H. Hanson, 1 cord prepared wood,	4 15
Charles Duston, preparing 4 cords hard wood, 2 cords pine wood,	4 68
W. W. Cole, 9 cords hard wood at \$3.85,	34 65
W. W. Cole, 4 cords pine wood at \$3.00,	12 00
Elmer Bailey, preparing wood,	3 00
Charles F. Kimball, 8 cords hard wood \$3.85,	30 81
Charles F. Kimball, 2 cords pine wood, \$3.00,	6 00
Charles F. Kimball, 15 tons coal, \$5.75,	86 25
Bruno Finderson, preparing wood,	2 00
James Cullen, " "	3 00
B. A. Newcombe, " "	4 00
C. L. Silver, " "	4 12
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	\$199 54

**Paid for Books :**

Thompson, Brown & Co.,	\$2 08
American Book Co.,	19 00
Werner School Book Co.,	120 75
Leavenworth & Myer,	28 50
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	15 71
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	1 96
Ginn & Co.,	6 00
J. L. Hammett,	71

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 \$194 71
**Paid for Supplies :**

George F. King & Co.,	\$94 25
R. E. Lane,	3 00
J. L. Hammett Co.,	11 82
O. O. Hall,	1 90
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	12 70
Charles Bartlett,	3 00
James Ewins,	2 80

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 \$129 47
**Paid for Repairs :**

Walker Haigh, repairs on No. 10,	\$2 50
William A. Thom, repairs on No. 3,	2 00
C. L. Silver, repairs on No. 3,	1 00
Treat Hardware Co., door checks, No. 6,	12 00
John Atwood, grading, No. 4,	1 50
W. H. Hanson, No. 3,	1 20
Walker Haigh, painting, No. 6,	75 00
W. A. Joy, grading, No. 8,	2 50
Sanborn Furnace Co., furnaces, No. 6,	1 80
J. H. T. Dunlap, Nos. 3, 4 and 10,	6 30
N. G. Abbott, No. 1,	1 70
O. O. Hall, No. 6,	1 50
E. A. Peabody, No. 6,	39 31
Elmer G. Bailey, Nos. 7 and 8,	4 51
George W. Thom, No. 6,	13 83

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 \$166 65

**Paid for Conveying Pupils :**

Lincoln Hunt, Spring term,	\$55 00	
N. G. Abbott, " "	41 25	
Lincoln Hunt, Fall "	55 00	
N. G. Abbott, " "	41 25	
H. C. Weiss, Winter "	66 00	
N. G. Abbott, " "	41 25	
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		\$299 75

Paid for Enumeration,	\$12 00	
Freight and Express,	5 52	
Furniture,	14 60	
Teaching Music,	126 00	
School Officers,	102 00	
J. S. Richardson, Superintendent,	181 80	
Edgar E. Hulse, "	70 00	
School Board of Windham, tuition		
of Cora Kelley,	6 75	
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		\$518 67

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**SPECIAL REPORTS.**

Interest on No. 3 note, per Treasurer's		
Report,		\$9 31
Paid for teaching 5 days,	\$9 00	
Other expenses,	31	
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Interest on No. 10 note, per Treasurer's		
report,		\$12 91
Paid for teaching 8 days,	\$12 80	
Other expenses,	11	
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Interest on No. 2 note, per Treasurer's		
report,		\$14 68

This interest has been used in part payment for conveying pupils from old No. 2 school district to No. 1 school.

From State Treasurer for Superintendent,	\$250 00	
Town Treasurer for Superintendent,	200 00	
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The sum of two hundred and fifty-one dollars and eighty cents (\$251.80) has been paid to Superintendents Richardson and Hulße. Balance unpaid, \$198.20.

Amount raised for painting No. 6 school		
house,		\$100 00
Paid Walker Haigh, painting No. 6		
school house,	\$75 00	

By vote of the district any unexpended of this one hundred should be used in other repairs.

I, the undersigned have examined the foregoing accounts and find them properly vouched for.

WM. E. LANCASTER.

## SCHOOL TREASURER.

### Dr.

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1901,	\$79 44
Received from Town :	
School tax,	1,315 00
By vote for schools,	2,000 00
"    Superintendent,	200 00
"    Painting No. 6,	100 00
Dog licenses, less expense,	298 15
Literary fund,	167 00
Proportion of school fund,	667 85
Interest, No. 2 note,	14 68
"    "    10    "	12 91
D. W. Felch, interest, No. 3 note,	9 31
C. L. Silver, sale of books,	28
	\$4,864 62

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By paid order of School Board,	4,467 59
Balance on hand, Feb. 15, 1901,	\$397 03

JAMES EWINS,

School Treasurer.

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.**

*To the Inhabitants of the Town School District in the Town of Salem, qualified to vote in district affairs :—*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall on Saturday, the sixteenth day of March, 1901, at two o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects :—

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
4. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

5. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing two years.

6. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise in addition to the tax required by law.

7. To see if the district will vote to raise the sum of one hundred and forty (\$140) dollars to reinsure school houses, Nos. 1 and 6.

8. To see if the district will vote to raise the sum of one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars to be used in the repairs of its school buildings.

9. To see if the district will vote to raise the sum of two hundred and fifty (\$250) dollars, or any part thereof to be used as part payment of the salary of the Superintendent of Schools.

To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers, hertofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

To choose Agents, Auditors, and Committees, in relation to any subjects embraced in this Warrant.

Given under our hands, at said Salem, this twenty-seventh day of February 1901.

GEORGE W. THOM,

CLINTON L. SILVER,

School Board of Salem, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant, Attest,

GEORGE W. THOM,

CLINTON L. SILVER,

School Board of Salem, N. H.



No. of School.	Terms.	Names of Teachers.	No. of Weeks.	No. of Pupils.	Average Attendance.	No. Not Absent or Tardy.	No. in Reading.	No. in Spelling.	No. in Penmanship.	No. in Arithmetic.	No. in Geography.	No. in Grammar.	No. in History.	No. in Composition.	No. in Drawing.	No. in Physiology.	No. in Book-keeping.	No. in Algebra.	No. in Music.	Wages per Month.	Visits of School Board.	Visits of Superintendent.	Visits of Others.
†1	{ Spring	May E. Turner	11	42	34	6	42	42	42	42	21	42								42	\$36	2	38
	{ Fall	May E. Turner	11	28	25	10	28	28	28	28	8	28					8			28	36	2	10
	{ Winter	May E. Turner	11	32	25	7	32	32	32	32	9	32	9				9			32	36	1	11
†1	{ Spring	C. A. M. Maeder	11	22	20	10	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22					22	40	2	39
	{ Fall	C. A. M. Maeder	11	34	31	17	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34					34	40	2	10
	{ Winter	C. A. M. Maeder	11	34	29	14	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34					34	40	2	10
3	{ Spring	Eunice A. Miller	12	31	23		31	29	29	27	15	13	14	13			15			31	32	2	21
	{ Fall	Katherine Brown	10	32	11	10	29	32	29	29	25	12	14	6	12		20			32	36	1	9
	{ Winter	Katherine Brown	12	25																25	36		5
4	{ Spring	Emma F. Ford	12	34	30	1	34	29	30	34	15	15	10	15				1		34	36	2	17
	{ Fall	Emma F. Ford	11	41	36	9	41	41	41	41	26	8	9			9				41	36	1	10
	{ Winter	Emma F. Ford	10	40	32	4	40	34	40	40	15	11	9	7						40	36	2	6
†6	{ Spring	Maud H. Wheeler	8	45		1	45	45	45	45	13	13	5	5	45					45	36	1	51
	{ Fall	Maud H. Wheeler	11	49	40		48	48	48	48	13	13	10	10	48					48	36	1	9
	{ Winter	Maud H. Wheeler	9	1-5	44		44	44	44	44	12	44	8	8	44					44	36	2	4
†6	{ Spring	Mary A. Austin	8	1-5	29	3	35	35	35	35	35	35	20	35	24					35	40	9	27
	{ Fall	Mary E. Woodbury	11	31	26	9	31	31	31	31	31	27	27	27		31				31	40	2	3
	{ Winter	Mary E. Woodbury	9	1-5	29		29	29	29	29	29	6	3	5	9	29				29	40	3	4
7	{ Spring	Ida A. Ryder	11	9	8	1	9	9	9	9	8	4	3	8	9	9				9	28	3	9
	{ Fall	Ida A. Ryder	11	9	8	3	9	9	9	9	8	4	3	8	9	9				9	28	3	10
	{ Winter	Ida A. Ryder	5	9	7		9	9	9	9	8	4	5	8	9	9				9	28	1	2
8	{ Spring	Mary E. Woodbury	11	9	7		9	9	9	9	8	4	4	3	2	11	11			11	28	2	20
	{ Fall	Abbie C. Grover	11	11	7	1	11	11	11	11	9	4	3	2	8		5			11	28	1	9
	{ Winter	Abbie C. Grover	11	8	5		8	8	8	8	7	2	2	2	8		6			8	28	2	20
9	{ Spring	Cora M. Haseltine	11	20	16	1	20	20	20	20	12	11	11	11						20	30	2	12
	{ Fall	Cora M. Haseltine	11	21	15		18	18	18	18	13	11	11	11						21	32	3	8
	{ Winter	Cora M. Haseltine	11	18	15	3	18	18	18	18	13	11	11	11						21	32	3	7
10	{ Spring	Mary R. Webster	12	28	22	5	28	28	24	24	9	8	9	9		5				28	32	2	15
	{ Fall	Mary R. Webster	11	37	29	8	36	36	33	31	19	11	10	5		12		2		31	32	2	9
	{ Winter	Mary R. Webster	11	3-5	27	3	26	36	24	24	14	10	8	3		12				26	32	3	7

† Grammar.

† Primary.







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